

Cummings Rips McLean's G.O.P. Argument to Tatters

DEUTSCHLAND BRINGS \$2,000,000 CARGO

GERMAN EMBASSY WAITS FOR RADIO REPORTS ON MARINA SINKING; SITUATION SERIOUS

Secretary Lansing Issues Statement That Political Activities Will Not Prevent the Most Searching Investigation of Tragedy.

Bernstorff Sends Radio Message to Berlin Asking Details—Survivor Says That Two Submarines Were Seen as Ship was Attacked

Washington, Nov. 1.—Secretary Lansing authorized a formal statement today that the progress of the political campaign would in no way affect the investigation of submarine attacks and that there had been no change in the United States government's policy.

Meanwhile, Count Von Bernstorff, the German ambassador, sent a wireless despatch to his government asking that he be furnished immediately by wireless, with all the details available regarding the sinking of the Marina.

Secretary Lansing's statement follows:

"The fact that a political campaign is in progress will in no way affect the practice of the department in negotiating and in making full investigation in cases of this sort. We shall do it as we always have with as much celerity as possible. I wish also to make another statement on a matter which has been brought to my attention. The question has been raised as to whether the policy of the President or the department in regard to submarine warfare, since the Sussex sunk, has been changed. I wish to say emphatically that there has been no change in any particular."

Secretary Lansing made it plain also that the department had had opportunity to reply to the inquiry for her version of the attacks on the Marina and Rowanmore. The instructions sent to the embassy at Berlin were said to ask for an investigation by Germany and not for an explanation. It was not meant to indicate that the United States believed that it had any proof that Germany had violated her pledges.

Affidavits of American survivors are expected to begin arriving shortly in response to the department's request that they be called immediately.

Officials of the German embassy seemed inclined today to regard the case as being one of great seriousness, should it be shown that the Marina was attacked in violation of the pledges given to the United States. At the same time it was made clear that Count Von Bernstorff does not believe the pledges have been violated. The ambassador will not call at the state department until he receives a reply to the message sent by his government, unless he should be called by Secretary Lansing.

FIVE AMERICANS LOST ON MARINA, CONSUL ASSERTS

London, Nov. 1.—A telegram received at the American embassy this morning from Wesley Frost, American consul at Queenstown, gives the names of the following Americans as having been lost on the Marina:

Daniel Thomas, Wilmington, Del.; J. Brown, Roanoke, Va.; Brown, Charlottesville, N. C.; George Seabury, Fayetteville, N. C.; House, Norfolk, Va.

Mr. Frost has procured a joint affidavit from the Americans who reached Crookhaven and a similar document from American survivors at Bearhaven. The affidavits agree that the Marina was torpedoed without warning; that the first torpedo struck on the starboard side and the second hit the vessel twelve minutes later and was followed by a boiler explosion, the steamer sinking six minutes afterward. No Americans were killed by the boiler explosion. Those who lost their lives were drowned as the lifeboats were launched.

According to this information, a submarine which emerged after the second torpedo was fired, was seen by Americans on the Marina but did not communicate with the steamship or offer assistance to the small boats which were in deadly peril from the rough sea.

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WON'T INQUIRE INTO DEATH OF GIRL BY BURNING

Coroner Accepts Medical Examiner's Report on Bonfire Fatality.

There will be no investigation by Coroner Phelan in the case of Evelyn Lepine, the nine-year-old girl of 337 Poplar street, who was pushed into a bonfire and fatally burned last Saturday. Medical Examiner Garlick reported to the coroner that there was no evidence of criminal negligence.

The girl was so severely burned that she died at St. Vincent's hospital. The coroner went to the Norwalk hospital again today to question victims of the accident which resulted in the death of Eugene Callahan early Monday morning. He talked with Mr. and Mrs. William Henebery of Danbury, passengers in the car, and also with Frederick Signor, the driver.

Automobile experts who visited the scene of the accident, told the coroner Signor might have been correct in his statement that the machine was going about 23 or 25 miles an hour. They thought the damage to poles and other obstacles struck by the machine might have been greater if the car had been going faster.

Coroner John J. Phelan, at 3 o'clock this afternoon, began a hearing to the killing of John DeAngelus, 20 years of age, who met death at 5:45 last night as a result of being struck by a motor truck at North and Housatonic avenues.

The driver of the machine, Louis Antonio, 23 years, who lives at 59 Ives street, was arrested immediately following the accident, charged with manslaughter. Antonio, who is employed by Silliman & Godfrey, claims that DeAngelus walked into the side of the truck, was knocked down and the rear wheel passed over his head, fracturing his skull, and killing him almost instantly. He was found dead when medical assistance arrived and his body removed to the morgue.

ALIMONY FIGHT OF MRS. HEFT IN SUPREME COURT

Hearing On Appeal From Decision of Judge Webb In Superior Court

Frances Helene Heft's fight to obtain more alimony from the estate of the late Col. N. H. Heft was carried to the supreme court today when arguments were heard in her appeal from the decision of Judge Webb of the superior court. She was given \$20,000 alimony at the time she was granted a divorce from Col. Heft but afterward declared the colonel had deceived her regarding his wealth. She said he was worth \$600,000 instead of \$100,000 as he alleged.

When the suit was tried in the superior court Judge Webb non-suited Frances Heft. The action was brought against Mary Josephine Heft and G. Stanley Heft, trustees of the Heft estate.

TWO AMERICAN AVIATORS ARE REPORTED DEAD

Paris, Nov. 1.—Two American aviators have been killed near Nancy, according to a despatch received here from that city.

The Matin says that the aeroplane containing the Americans capsized while flying over Boudonville Plateau near Nancy. The observer fell out and the pilot, who came down with the machine, was crushed to death under the engine.

THE WEATHER

Fair tonight and Thursday; cooler tonight; fresh west winds.

JOSEPH CRIDDLE, EX-MANAGER OF THEATRES, DIES

Bridgeport Man Well Known as Newspaperman and Poli Representative.

Following an illness of three years, Joseph Carthage Criddle, newspaperman and theatrical manager, esteemed throughout this city, New Haven, Springfield and Worcester, Mass., passed away at 10:55 this morning at his home, 166 Jones avenue. Mr. Criddle was born in Wales, 51 years ago, but came to this country with his parents when he was only six years old.

When a young man he entered the newspaper business in Ansonia, where he received his early training on the Sentinel. Later he went to New Haven and became city editor of the Times-Leader. While in that city he was press agent for Poli's theatre and about 20 years ago when Mr. Poli purchased the present Plaza theatre in Fairfield avenue he sent Mr. Criddle here to be its first manager.

During the six years that he successfully managed this theatre, Mr. Criddle became one of the best known and most popular residents of the city. While here also, he was married to Nan Begley Rogers. Later Mr. Poli sent him to Springfield to manage his theatre there and two years later he was transferred to Worcester where he remained nine years as manager of the three Poli theatres in that town.

Three years ago Mr. Criddle's health began to fail and he resigned from his position and went to Hot Springs, Arkansas, for six months with the hope of regaining it there. He returned to this city two and a half years ago and has resided here ever since. His death has been expected for some time. His mother, Mary A. Criddle, died in March.

Mr. Criddle was a member of the Bridgeport Lodge of Elks, and belonged to the board of trade and several business clubs in Worcester. He possessed a splendid baritone voice and was gifted as an entertainer which made him much in demand at amateur events. He is survived by his widow and a daughter, Miss Eleanor Criddle.

SUPREME COURT TO DECIDE CASE OF JITNEY RULES

State Takes Appeal After Judge Scott's Decision in Common Pleas Court.

The right of cities and towns to make ordinances regulating licenses for jitney drivers was argued this afternoon before the supreme court. The case which involved the question was brought by the state of Connecticut against Fred Scheldier of Norwalk. Scheldier was fined \$40 in the Norwalk city court for operating without a license. His counsel filed a demurrer on the ground that it was unconstitutional for the city to make ordinances for jitney drivers. Judge Scott of the common pleas court sustained the demurrer. The state took an appeal to the supreme court.

Alleged Slayer of Religious Lecturer Acquitted By Jury

Galveston, Tex., Nov. 1.—John Copeland, charged with the killing of William Black, an anti-Catholic lecturer, was found not guilty by a jury in the case here today.

The jurors had deliberated 84 hours and twice reported to the court that they could not reach a verdict. Black was shot in his room in a hotel at Marshall, Tex., Feb. 3, 1915, while Copeland, cashier of a Marshall bank, and other men were calling to ask him to cease lecturing in the town.

Whether the state will insist upon trial of George Ryan and George Tier, both also charged with murder in connection with killing of Black, probably will not be known until the December term of court.

The residence of C. C. Paulding, in Irvington, N. Y., was robbed of jewelry valued at \$5,000 while the family was at dinner.

SUBMARINES TO TAKE OUR MAILS TO BERLIN SOON

Washington, Nov. 1.—The postoffice department is prepared to accept a proposal, submitted by Count Von Bernstorff, the German ambassador, that mails between this country and Germany be transported in merchant submarines. Announcement to this effect was made today by Otto Praeger, second assistant postmaster-general.

Captain Paul Koenig, of the submarine Deutschland, officially reported his arrival at New London to Count Von Bernstorff, the German ambassador, saying that he had brought the embassy a packet of despatches from Berlin. A number of the despatches are believed to be duplicates of those supposed to have been lost on the Bremen. Dr. George Ahrens, an attaché of the embassy, was sent to New London as the personal representative of the ambassador who will follow later.

It is believed here that the Deutschland will start on her return trip positively next week with medical supplies urgently needed by the German military forces.

CUMMINGS RIDDLES DEFENSE OF G. O. P. IN NOTABLE DEBATE

Answers Republican Tariff Wail, With Stirring Recital of Achievements of Wilson Administration—Takes McLean to Task For His Votes Against Measures in Interest of Humanity—Big Crowd Cheers Democratic Nominee Throughout Remarks.

Voters of Connecticut, without regard to political affiliations, joined today in congratulations to Homer S. Cummings of Stamford, Democratic nominee for United States Senator, on his masterly handling of Democratic arguments in his debate with Senator George P. McLean at Waterbury last night.

The debate made political history in Connecticut. Nearly 5,000 persons jammed the Auditorium, and as many more could not get in. The audience seemed made up largely of those voters who came there with open minds on political questions. They went away, for the most part, with the Cummings arguments in their mind.

Mr. Cummings was never in better form. His natural oratorical ability alone would have "got him across," his auditors said afterwards. But Mr. Cummings had more than oratory to offer. He had "the goods," in the shape of progressive legislation for the benefit of humanity enacted in the last three and one-half years under the Wilson administration.

Senator McLean did "just about as well as could be expected." His was a tough assignment. He had to find arguments against the Eight-Hour law, against the Child Labor law, against the Tariff Commission Act, and he had to try to tear down peace and prosperity with the familiar Republican tariff wail. He had to answer Mr. Cummings' questions as to why he voted against or "ducked" important legislation in behalf of humanity.

Mayor Martin Scully presided. Of course, he didn't give a decision on the merits of the debaters. He didn't have to, so far as the average man in the audience was concerned. The ringing cheers as Mr. Cummings concluded presented a decision that couldn't be questioned. Senator McLean spoke first for half an hour. Mr. Cummings being the challenger, he gave as vital issues

BURGLARS ENTER GREENFIELD HILL HOME OF WARNER

Fairfield Authorities Can't Find That Anything Was Stolen, However.

(Special to The Farmer.)

Greenfield Hill, Nov. 1.—The summer home of DeVer H. Warner was broken into Monday night, and though the house was ransacked, policemen who have conferred with the owner, declare that nothing of value was taken.

Mystery, however, surrounds the house-breaking operation, for many articles of value were within easy access of the intruders, as no watchman was about, they could easily have been removed.

Entrance was gained through a lower window which was forced from its fastenings.

"OHIO SAFE AS TEXAS" ASSERTS SAMUEL RANDALL

Campaigner, Returned from Tour, Sees Great Democratic Trend.

OLD REPUBLICAN MAJORITY FADES

Speaker Addresses Noonday Rally at Singer Manufacturing Co. Plant.

"The state of Ohio, normally a Republican state, sends greetings to the state of Connecticut and assures it, that Ohio will be as safely Democratic as Texas this year."

This is the message brought here today by Attorney Samuel E. Randall of Philadelphia, who has just completed a tour of Ohio cities.

Attorney Randall came to Bridgeport to address the members of the Young Men's Woodrow Wilson club, which will hold a meeting tomorrow night. He spoke this noon at a rally of the Singer Manufacturing Co. employees.

Several hundred workers heard Attorney Randall discuss in a forcible manner the issues of the campaign this noon. He punched holes in many of the Republican arguments.

Attorney Randall told Socialists in the audience that it is a mathematical certainty that their candidate cannot be elected. They had, then, he said, to choose between Hughes and Wilson and he pointed out wherein Wilson's policies came nearest to the best ideals of the Socialists.

He showed the unselfishness of President Wilson when he pointed out that every war president of the United States has been re-elected and that President Wilson could have made re-election certain by giving in to the cries of self-seekers who wanted intervention in Mexico.

Another rally was held this noon at the West End plant of the Crane Co. when many persons heard Attorney Daniel E. Brennan, candidate for alderman in the Seventh district, and Attorney Irving Elson, candidate for Senator in the 21st Senatorial district, speak.

Both touched on state and national issues and were well received by the crowd.

The Woodrow Wilson Eight-Hour club, which is conducting a series of noonday rallies, announced this afternoon that it has obtained the services of Hon. E. J. Jarmuz, J. J. Voeburg, and T. P. Pritchett, of New York, as speakers. These men will arrive here tomorrow and address the rallies under the auspices of the club.

Mr. Voeburg speaks in both Polish and English. The following rallies have been arranged by the club: Thursday noon, Bullard Machine Tool Co.; Thursday afternoon, 3 to 4, Remington Arms & Ammunition Co.; Thursday evening, 8 o'clock, club rooms, Main street; Friday noon, American Graphophone Co.; Friday noon, Locomobile Co.; Friday noon, Singer Manufacturing Co.; Friday evening, 8 o'clock, Wall and Middle streets; Saturday, various corners in city.

OLD CITY BAKERY PROPERTIES SOLD TO NEW HAVENER

Chances For a Municipal Plaza Ended By Realty Transaction Yesterday.

With the sale yesterday of the Main and Bank street property known as the old City Bakery, including stores now occupied by the Wolfe Shirt Shop, the Family Shoe Store, the Rogers Clothing Co., James Horan and William M. Soda, the hope of the administration of locating a municipal plaza has been abandoned.

The property purchased by the Bridgeport Savings bank from the Russell heirs several weeks ago was yesterday turned over to Harris Lapudis, a New Haven realty operator and general dealer. Mr. Lapudis has signified his intention of remodeling the building at an estimated cost of about \$70,000. There is a frontage in Main street of 69 feet. The purchase price is not disclosed.

Automobiles Kill 23 During Month

New Haven, Nov. 1.—Twenty-three persons lost their lives in automobile accidents in Connecticut during the month of October, according to unofficial records of the violent deaths in the state during that period. Seventeen were killed on the railroad and 13 died from burns. The total number of violent deaths was 94 as compared with 78 the preceding month. They were divided as follows: Accidents, 52; suicides, 10; homicides, 2.

VESSEL HAS PAPERS FOR BERNSTORFF

Undersea Merchantman, Out 21 Days From Bremen, Docks at New London After Uneventful Voyage—Capt. Koenig is Cheered at Customs House.

Documents For German Embassy Here Are Forwarded by Messenger to Washington—Cargo of Chemicals Will Be Unloaded Within Few Days.

New London, Conn., Nov. 1.—

A letter to Count Von Bernstorff, the German ambassador to this country, was brought here by the German undersea merchant ship Deutschland which arrived this morning. This was learned from authoritative sources this afternoon. The letter, it was understood, was sent to Washington by special messenger.

On her trip of 21 days, from Bremen to this country, the Deutschland submerged only 120 miles—near the English coast. If the craft saw any British or French warships on her trip, Captain Koenig would not admit it.

"At any rate, they didn't see us," he is quoted as saying.

With Paul Hilken, an official of the Eastern Forwarding Co., Captain Koenig motored to the customs house at noon and officially entered the arrival of his craft with James L. McGovern, collector of customs for this state. A crowd of persons, near the customs house, gave the captain a rousing cheer, which he acknowledged by doffing his hat. Many persons grasped his hand with congratulatory words.

Later, with Mr. McGovern, he posed for photographers. Captain Koenig promised definitely that he would meet the newspapermen at a local hotel at 3 o'clock. After his visit to the customs house he returned to the Wilhelmshafen for dinner.

Within a few days it is expected that the Deutschland will officially enter her cargo. It was learned from a reliable authority that the value of the cargo approximates \$2,000,000.

Neither Captain Koenig nor his officers asked any questions concerning the submarine Bremen, which it is understood has been given up for lost. The officers of the Deutschland, it is understood, were aware of the presence of the armored German submarine U-53 in American waters recently. They had not heard, however, that she had arrived in Germany safely and they were plainly pleased at the tidings.

When the submersible poked her nose in the harbor this morning in a blanket of fog, she did not have a pilot aboard, although it is said the charts of the Deutschland are comparatively old.

Captain Koenig said the harbor here is especially adapted for his boat and he believed that if necessary he could easily submerge at the dock and leave the harbor without anyone knowing it. The Deutschland had 750 tons of dye stuffs, medicines and chemicals. A gang of stevedores was prepared to remove the cargo but permission has not yet been granted by the customs officials.

Neither Captain Koenig nor Captain F. Hines of the Eastern Forwarding Co. were communicative as to details of the trip across the Atlantic, but they promised a statement later in the afternoon. They pleaded that they were too busy with the details of unloading.

Crowds thronged the dock during the forenoon in the hope of getting a glimpse of the craft, but they were disappointed. The submarine is so well berthed in her pier that not even her masts show. Policemen and detectives kept the crowds moving.

Under Captain Paul Koenig, who was in command during her first trip to Baltimore, the Deutschland left Bremen on Oct. 10 and tied up at a berth prepared for her here at 2:35 o'clock this morning.

The German submarine entered the lower harbor shortly after midnight, coming in by the Race at the entrance to Long Island Sound. For several

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